

- 1 75. (Amended) A computer generated method to abbreviate a character string
2 comprising the acts of:
3 (a) providing the character string to be abbreviated;
4 (b) defining N character types to be removed for said character string,
5 wherein N is greater than 1;
6 (c) defining a character string size having a predetermined number of
7 characters to be in an abbreviated character string;
8 (d) selecting a character type from the N character types;
9 (e) searching the character string for a character of the selected character
10 type;
11 (f) removing the selected character of the selected character type if detected
12 in said search of the character string;
13 (g) comparing a remaining portion of the character string remaining after the
14 selected character is removed with the character string size set forth in
15 step (c);
16 (h) terminating removal of additional character type from said remaining
17 portion of the character string if said remaining portion of the character
18 string is not greater than the character string size; and
19 (i) repeating acts (d) through (h) if the remaining portion of the character
20 string is greater than the character size.

REMARKS

Applicant's attorney wishes to thank the examiner for the cordial telephonic interview of August 11 and 12, 2002. In the interview the examiner agreed to allow the applicant to amend Claim 75 as set forth above to comply with suggestion made under